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Happy New Year!

A Proposed Change

As THE Plus Class instructor I would like to propose a change in scheduling. How about teaching Plus during the summer months? I am suggesting that the current Mainstream class dancers continue with their learning this summer to learn the Plus level. Thus, next year they will be able to attend and dance all hoedowns as Plus level dancers.

Some advantages to doing this would be as follows: 1) There would be more time for review/reteaching of calls—for each level of dancing. 2) Hopefully, more of the current MS class will continue on to Plus. 3) By continuing to dance through the summer, there would be more retention of the calls already learned; less time to forget those Basic, Mainstream calls. 4) Robin and I would not feel that we had to push the class members so hard each class night. 5) More time each class night to practice new calls. 6) More time would be available for fun tips between teaching tips. 7) Class nights could be only 2 hours long instead of 3 hours.

The major disadvantages to this proposal are as follows: 1) We don't know where we would be able to do it. 2) Summertime in Sacramento can be HOT!! 3) Vacations—how do we work around them?

I am sure there are more advantages/disadvantages to this proposed change in teaching, but I am willing to give it a try this summer. If the club tries this new format, that means there would not be a Plus class in the fall. The next Plus teaching would happen in the summer (or as soon as the class finished MS). Please give this some serious thought and let the Board, Robin, or me know how you feel.

~ Kris

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January Board Minutes

January 5, 1994

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

In attendance: Kas, Kris, Cindy, Russ, James, Evan, Rich W., Michael F., Bill M., Rick C., George, and the ever attentive Heidi.

1st Topic—Travel Guide: Kas presented a travel guide/tour book of Washington D.C. sent to him through a contact. The individual selling them would like to get as many as possible sold/dispersed in time for the convention in July and is open to the possibility of discounting the price based on the number sold...(note: we forgot to ask Kas the price.)

2nd Topic—the BMI Question: Kas checked into BMI/ASCAP for details. He discovered that BMI and ASCAP are separate and that the cost for BMI alone is $198 a year! An alternative he discovered through the American Caller's Association would cover a club for about $82.50 a year. This fee would cover all types of dance music, including records and tapes used for teaching (any club using any kind of recorded music for teaching dancing is required to "pay" for the use, even if the recordings were purchased, if there is any kind of fee involved—in our case, the "dues"). Kas recommended going with the American Caller's Association since it is cheaper and covers more than BMI. The club has until about April 1 to make a decision and payment through one of these routes. James volunteered to check with other clubs to find out other (if any) approaches to this matter.

3rd Topic—"Club Health Seminar": James distributed a flier announcing a seminar on how to build and maintain a successful square dance club It is sponsored by several Central Valley clubs and is open to all. The date of this event is January 16th; the Board feels this might be a good opportunity to gets some pointers both on club health and on how other clubs deal with Topic 2 (above). Kas, Bill, Kris and Cindy said they will try to attend (there is direct conflict for several other Board members).

4th Topic—Gay Yellow Pages: George presented a letter from the GYP sent to the club to confirm that the listing they have is accurate (it is.) There is no charge for the basic listing, but they are soliciting other types of advertising as well as offering the book itself. There are fees for classified and other ads. Also included was a questionnaire about the club's activities/purpose. George will respond.

5th Topic—1994 Retreat: Fifes has finally responded with a price for renting there in 1994, George reported. Due to an increase in the county room tax and in the price of the meal itself, there must be a slight increase in the total price for the Fly-In/Retreat over last year. George "crunched" some numbers and, based upon attendance of 100 or more, the total cost to the individual for the weekend is $90.00 Kris suggested developing a flier which really emphasized what people will receive for that price, since there were a few anguished people at the last class night when the price was mentioned. Further discussion was held on developing the flier and on getting a commitment as soon as possible. Fifes requires a deposit by the 15th of March, amounting to the first night's rent of the rooms. To encourage early registrations, we will be charging $10 more for registrations accepted after March 1.

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Due in January

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James introduced the idea of producing a dangle for the event and it was also pointed out that two stages will be needed for the two dance halls at the Vet's building. SEE THE FLIER IN THIS ISSUE.

6th Topic—Treasury Report:: Club Treasurer George reported that current funds in the treasury wallow at just $1087.00. Rich W. indicated that there is a little money to be deposited yet from the sodas. (TREASURER'S NOTE: FOLKS, WE STILL NEED TO INCREASE FUNDS TO COVER EQUIPMENT AND MUSIC PURCHASES AND TO KEEP IN RESERVE FOR OTHER "EMERGENCY" NEEDS —ANY FUND RAISING IDEAS ARE SOLICITED AND APPRECIATED.)

7th Topic—Summer Dance Location:: This has not yet been further investigated. Both Natomas District and Sac'to Unified are not available for the Summer. A location is necessary to have if we are going to pursue the idea of getting the beginning class through Plus in one year. Kris will discuss the ramifications of basic through Plus in one year with Robin, and it will then be presented to the class itself. There are pros and cons to this idea. Nothing is "set in stone" yet.

8th Topic—"January Clearance Dance" January 22, 1994: Kris raised a concern that the caller be aware of the sequence and place of the Plus dancers before the dance (and the basic dancers, as well). James will contact the caller with this. KAS IS SOLICITING HELP FROM THE CLUB FOR DECORATING FOR THIS. IT WAS NOTED THAT IT IS INDEED DIFFICULT TO CLIMB A LADDER WITH YOUR LEG IN A CAST. CLUB MEMBERS! HELP!)

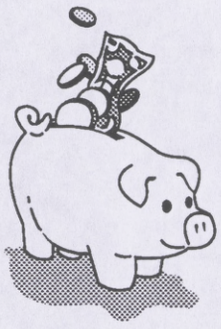
9th Topic—Off Night Dancing: Russ introduced the fact that there is some extra practice being done on other than class night. While this is GREAT and there is no argument with it, there is the concern that there may be an insurance liability. Under whose "auspices" are these sessions being held, to wit, has the space been reserved under "Capital City Squares" or under an individual's name? This will be resolved by the next meeting.

10th Topic—Next Meeting: The next Board Meeting is scheduled for February 2, 1994 at 7 PM at Bill/Michael/Heidi's. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15ish.

Respectfully submitted by yer ever lovin' secretary,

~ Rick



What's All This About Guerneville?

Question: I keep hearing about CCS going to Guerneville April 15-17, 1994; some sort of Retreat/Fly-In. They want ninety bucks for this. That seems like a lot of money. What's in it for me?

Answer: How to approach this... A bit of history first: .. 'Way back in the Spring of '88, CCS returned to its prior location for its annual retreat—Clear Lake. It was my first retreat and it was a lot of fun; not perfect, the dancing was miles from the Sunset Resort and there was little to do when we weren't dancing, but it WAS FUN.

In February of '89, the Club learned that it was not particularly welcome back at Clear Lake. A "minor" panic ensued, believe me. What were we going to do?! But one night Skip V. called me and invited me to go to Guerneville the following Sunday to "check things out" (at Fifes, I mean). We did, it worked, a marvelous relationship developed and has been growing ever since (at Fifes I mean). Each year has added a little something... we never really know what it's going to be.... When Fifes sold in late '92, there were months of "telephone tag," ending in another fun-filled Retreat for all in April of '93, under the eye of the new owners. Paul Waters, the caller last year, touched on the idea of expanding this into a Fly-in, an idea the Club Board had been kicking around anyway. After some "ruminating," the board decided to try this. Thus, in 1994,

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Coming Events

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1994

January

7–9 🪶 PACE Weekend (Mike Jacobs), Hayward, CA.
8 FCD Dance (Andy Shore), San Francisco, CA.
9 Midnight Squares Dance—evening only (Mike Jacobs), San Francisco, CA.
14–16 "Swing Thru Arizona" Fly-In (Mike De Sisto & Richard Lane), Desert Valley Squares, Phoenix, AZ
14–16 Road Runner Regional Gay Rodeo, Phoenix, AZ.
21–23 "Shoot the Northstar" (Anne Uebelacker), Minnesota Wild Roses 1st Fly-In, Minneapolis, MN.
22 "January Clearance" CCS Basic/Mainstream/Plus Dance (Rob French & C.J. Smith), William Land School, Sacramento, CA.
30 Superbowl Sunday at Atlanta, GA.

February

5 "Valentine's" WSD MS/Plus Dance (Paul Waters), San Francisco, CA.
9 WSD Club Night (Ron Libby), San Francisco, CA.
11–13 10th Anniversary Celebration Fly-In (Bill Eyler), Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus, Denver, CO.
11–13 🪶 PACE Weekend (Ben Rubright), Hayward, CA.
12 CCS all day dancing event (Jet Roberts), workshops in the afternoon (2:30–5:00), "50/60s Sock Hop" hoedown and costume contest at night, William Land School, Sacramento, CA.
13–20 Gay and Lesbian Winter Festival, Lake Tahoe, CA.
18–20 "The Horsefly-Inn" (Ray Brendzy & Saundra Bryant), Tinseltown Squares, Los Angeles, CA.
18–20 Illinois Regional Gay Rodeo, Chicago, IL.
19–21 South Florida Fly-In (Chris Phillips & Andy Shore), Hollywood, FL

March

4–6 🪶 Advanced and Challenge Weekend at the Barn (Lee Kopman), Orangevale, CA.
11–13 "Oregon Trail Thur" Fly-In (Anne Uebelacker & Saundra Bryant), Rosetown Ramblers, Portland, OR.
18–20 🪶 PACE Weekend (Vic Ceder), Hayward, CA.
19 WSD 12th Anniversary Dance (Shelby Dawson), St. Paulus Church, San Francisco, CA.
25–27 "Pass Through the Alamo III" (Mike DeSisto, Andy Shore, Terry Kephart), Alamo City Wranglers, San Antonio, TX.
26 8th Anniversary Party, Gold Rush, San Francisco, CA.

January Birthdays

4 **Cindy Sullivan**
6 **Steven Starr**
10 **James Ozanich**
22 **Tim White**
22 **Luretta Fairman**
24 **Rick Dewey**
28 **Janet Pierson**
30 **Rich Wilkes**

Coming Events

April

1–3 "Philadelphia Freedom" Fly-In (Mike Jacobs, Betsy Gotta, Glenn Matthew), 2nd Independence Squares Fly-In, Philadelphia, PA.

8–10 "Pass the Sea" Fly-In (Johnny Preston, Mike De Sisto, & Ron Nelson), Finest City Squares, San Diego, CA.

8–10 PACE Spectacular (Anne Uebelacker, Saundra Bryant, Ross Howell, & Dave Wilson) San Mateo, CA.

11-13 Callerlab Annual Convention, Vancouver, BC.

15–17 "Roll Down the River" CCS Fly-In (Johnny Preston & Dave Stevens), Guerneville, CA.

15–17 Los Angeles Gay Rodeo, Burbank, CA.

15–17 California State Square Dance Convention, Pasadena, CA.

29–1 May FCD Wildwood Retreat, Guerneville, CA.

29–1 May "Ropin' the River" (Howard Richman), Grand River Squares, Grand Rapids, MI.

May

6–8 "Pass the Ocean, Hon!" Chesapeake Squares Annual Fly-In (Glenn Matthew, Anne Uebelacker, & Paul Waters), Rehoboth Beach, DE.

14 CCS MS/Plus Dance (Todd Fellegy), Sacramento, CA.

14–15 Advanced & Challenge Dancing at the Barn (Todd Fellegy), Orangevale, CA.

20 California Singles Convention (multiple callers) Placer County Fairgrounds, Roseville, CA.

21 Midnight Squares Advanced & Challenge Graduation Dance (Eric Henerlau), San Francisco, CA.

22 AIDS Memorial Candlelight March.

27–29 "Scoot Across the Border," Triangle Squares, Toronto, Ontario.

27–30 Golden State Gay Rodeo, Cow Palace (Daly City), San Francisco, CA.

June

11 CCS Gay Pride Dance (Joe Kula), Sacramento, CA.

16–18 28th National Advanced & Challenge Convention, Virginia Beach, VA.

18–25 Gay Games IV "Unity '94," New York City, NY.

18 WSD Parade Dance, San Francisco, CA.

19 San Francisco Gay Pride Parade, San Francisco, CA.

22–25 43rd National Square Dance Convention, Portland, OR.

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TNT's
Stan & Bill (916) 929-8828

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25–30 "Chain Down the Northeast," a series of dances prgress southward a long the East Coast, culminating in Washington, DC, at "Stars & Squares Forever."

26 "Stonewall 25," International March for Lesbian and Gay Rights at the United Nations Building, New York City, NY.

27–30 Callers School, Washington, D.C. Area.

30–3 July "Stars and Squares Forever," llth Annual IAGSDC Convention, DC Lambda Squares, Washington, DC.

July

20–23 Canadian National Square Dance Convention, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

August

11–13 13th American Advanced and Challenge Convention, Toledo, OH.

September

2–4 24th Dance-a-Rama, Single Square Dancers, Oklahoma City, OK.

30–2 Oct Camp Caz, WSD, way up above the Russian River, CA.

October

7–9 "Tahoe Tally Ho" (Anne Uebelacker, Dave Wilson, Dave Stevens, Vic Ceder) 5th Gay Advanced & Challenge Fly-In, Prime 8's, Fallen Leaf Lake, South Lake Tahoe, CA.

11 National Coming Out Day

November

25–27 PACE Extravaganza, Oxnard, CA.

1995

May

18–20 Legacy Biennial Meeting, Fayetteville, AR.

26–29 "Track II Chicago," 12th Annnal IAGSDC Convention, Chi Town Squares, Chicago, IL.

June

15–17 29th National Advanced and Challenge Convention, Dayton, OH.

21–24 44th National Square Dance Convention, Birmingham, AL.

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the "Retreat" has become a "Fly-In". (Yes, I too hated history in high school...)

So, what's in it for you? Strictly speaking, for little more than the price of Motel 6, you get to stay for two nights in a historic resort (ask the owners, David, or, if you prefer, David, about the Murphys!) planted in the midst of towering coast redwoods, sharing a bed with the person of your choice, having a wonderful time dancing with over 100 male and female gays and straights (mostly the former) in the Veteran's Memorial Hall (adjacent to the Sheriff's Office), cruise the Safeway (not quite the S.F. Marina Safeway, but it'll hafta do - & apologies to A. Maupin), stroll Mainstreet (with MANY shops to peruse), check the bars and Molly Brown's (with its framed '86 floodmark), or relax if you want to. Further, with the expansion of this into a Fly-In and having two fun and popular callers, it's sure to bring in as-yet-unmet-square-dance-friends from everywhere.

Beyond all that, you'll be within minutes of Korbel Winery, Armstrong Redwoods (check those trees!), Forestville, Bohemian Grove (but they won't let you in), Monte Rio, Rio Nido (okay, I digress), and only 14 miles from Jenner-by-the-sea. The Russian River is only footsteps from your cabin and Warren, (the "lamp lighter" at Fifes) is everywhere, and, though gruff at first, a wonderful man with 90-some years of tales of Guerneville. At Fifes there is a pool (ducky badge!), a bar(sorry, no "lush" badge), scenic views (uh,...dense shrubs, for those interested...uh, in botany, of course), and a C&W dance floor in the old "boat house" (to be finished before we get there.) Finally, if you really MUST, Santa Rosa is less than 20 minutes away. Oh, culinarily speaking, you also get Saturday evening's meal at Fifes and the chance to visit numerous other quaint-to-rustic-to-homey-to-exclusive eating establishments.

A room, a weekend of dancing, places to visit, shopping, relaxing, touring food, ambience, and a lot of good friends around...for only $90, what more do you need?! Just ask anyone who's gone to this in the past.

See ya dancin'

~ George

Stan Boyden in Hospital

One of the IAGSDC's favorite sons, Stan Boyden of Sacramento, will be going into the hospital January 12, for surgery of an abdominal aneurysm. Many of you will remember Stan along with his partner of 43 years, Bill St John.

This past year Stan & Bill were honored by the IAGSDC in receiveing the 10 year participant medalians. The same year, they received the prestigious Golden Boot Award from Keith Snowden of Squares Across the Border, Vancouver. Stan and Bill have also been active locally in Capital City Squares and the Prime 8's, as well as their "straight" group, the TNT's. Currently, they are actively involved in planning the 5th annual Gay Advanced & Challenge Weekend, "Tahoe Tally Ho!" set for October 1994.

Although Stan & Bill have not yet entered the computer age (they only last week got a telephone answering machine) we would appreciate you spreading the word to interested parties in your club(s) and perhaps sending Stan a greeting in the hospital via the US postal system. Be sure to include your full name and club affiliation.

Additionally, Stan celebrated his 72nd birthday on Sunday, January 9.

Please send your greetings to:

Stan J. Boyden
c/o Mercy San Juan Hospital
6501 Coyle Avenue
Carmichael, CA 95608
916-537-5000

or

Stan J. Boyden & Bill B. St John
1927 Bandon Way
Sacramento, CA 95833
916-929-8828

~ James Ozanich

Prime 8's Corner

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A NEW ADVANCED CLASS STARTING 24 JAN 1994

Class Will Be Conducted using Dave Wilson Tapes, and THREE LIVE CALLERS Rob and CJ, and Ron Hirsch
Class will be held at Jefferson School 7 PM to 9 PM>>>
THERE SHALL ALSO BE FULL LEVEL A2 FROM 9:00 to 9:30 PM

CONTACT DENNIS MOORE
FOR MORE INFO 645-9306

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Featuring
Rob French & CJ Smith
(of Sunnyvale, CA)

SATURDAY
JANUARY 22, 1994
7:30 - 10:00 P.M.

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12th and V Streets
Downtown Sacramento

$6.00 per Person
$3.00 for current
Basic/Mainstream
Class Members

Class Level
Full Basic (Calls 1-48),
Mainstream
and Plus Levels

Club members are asked to bring munchies to share.

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Future CCS Events

February 12, 1994 *Sock Hop with Jet Roberts (afternoon & evening)*

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Featuring Jet Roberts of Georgetown, California

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Workshop 2:30 - 5:00
Dance 7:30 - 10:00 P.M.

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$6.00 per Person per Session
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Class Level Full Basic (Calls 1-48), Mainstream, and Plus Levels

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April 15–17, 1994

Guest Callers: Johnny Preston & Dave Stevens

Two Nights Lodging and One Dinner
at Fifes Resort in Guerneville, CA
Three Days of Dancing at the Veterans Memorial Hall (Two Rooms)
Mainstream through A-2
A Dangle for all full participants

All for $90 ($100 if registered after March 1, 1994)

Saturday Night: Proud Mary Contest at the Veterans Hall
(Later) Pajama Tip on the deck at Fifes

Send Registration Form and Payment made out to
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For more information call George Fox: (916) 929-8697

CCS Russian River Retreat

Name_____ **Phone # ( )** _____

Address_____ **Club** _____ **Level** _____

City_____ **State**_____ **Cabin # (if known)*** _____

Will Share Cabin with _____ **(Circle) 2 person cabin / 4 person cabin***
(one bed) (two beds)

Amount Enclosed ☐ **$50 Deposit Due March 1,1994**
$40 due April 1, 1993

☐ **$90 Full Payment**

One Form Per Person, Please

*** We'll try; no guarantee**

Membership Application

P.O. Box 19986
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Membership Fee: $30 a year
Due in January—Delinquent in March

Fill out the following (please print)
and submit with your Membership Fee

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	Yes	No
Name		
Address		
City		
State Zip		
Home Phone Work Phone		
Optional: Birthday (Month & Day)		
Optional: Occupation		

Current Dance Level:

(Circle One) Basic Mainstream Plus Advanced Challenge

In applying for, or renewing membership with Capital City Squares, I will not hold Capital City Squares or its officers and members responsible for any personal injury or property damage/loss arising from participation in any Club activities. I understand that Capital City Squares does carry Liability and Accident Medical Insurance.

Signed: Date:

Name desired on Badge (New Members Only):

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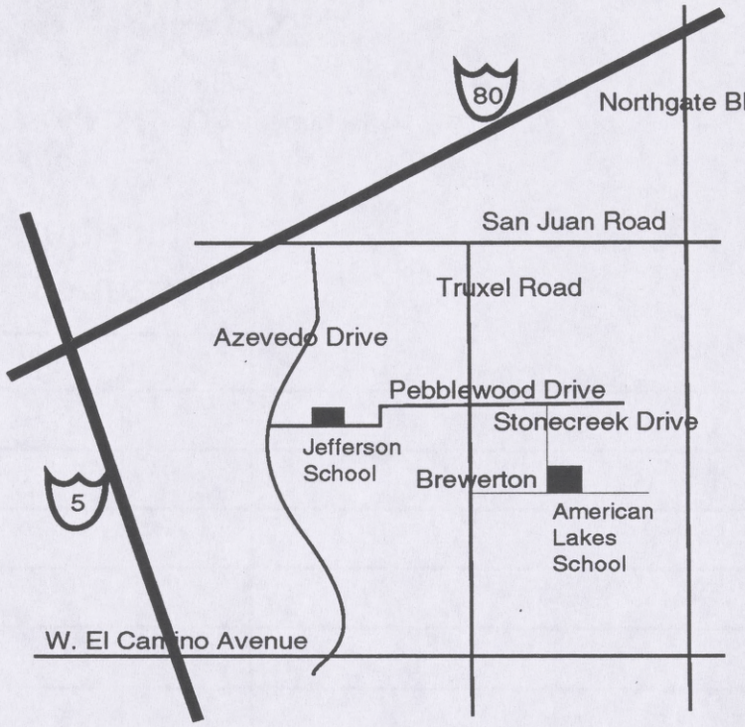

Capital City Squares dances Tuesdays
Basic/Mainstream 6:30–8:15 p.m.
Plus 8:15–9:30 p.m.

Prime 8's dances Mondays, 7:00–9:30 p.m.

Jefferson Elementary School
2001 Pebblewood Drive, Sacramento

American Lakes School
2800 Stonecreek Drive, Sacramento

I-5 (Northbound Only):
Right on W. El Camino Exit (east)
Left at first stoplight (Azevedo Drive)
Right at second stop sign (Pebblewood Drive)
School is on the left.

I-80 (Either Direction) Not Business 80!
Northgate Blvd. exit—south
Right at second stoplight (San Juan Road)
Follow road about 2 miles
Left last street before overpass (Azevedo Drive)
Left at first stop sign (Pebblewood Drive)
School is on left.

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